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## Festival of Trees warms hearts in Minden

Christina Pegg enjoyed some of the trees on display at Nature's Place in Minden. The event was the annual Festival of Trees, which included a gift shop, scavenger hunt and decorated trees. Spectators were encouraged to purchase raffle tickets with a chance to win their favourite tree. More on page 9. /JENN WATT Staff

## Closed session provisions expanded

by CHAD INGRAM  
Times Staff

Under municipal procedure changes in the province's Bill 68, local councils have an expanded list of reasons they can go into closed session.

Bill 68, the Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act, received royal ass-

sent in the spring. It makes changes to a number of pieces of legislation affecting Ontario municipalities, including the Municipal Act and Conflict of Interest Act, among others.

A report from Haliburton County chief administrative officer Mike Rutter received by county councillors during a Nov. 22 meeting reads, "closed session meeting provisions have been expanded to better align with

the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act."

The main reasons municipal councils have been permitted to hold in-camera conversations have included legal matters, matters related to the acquisition or dispossession of land, and personnel issues dealing with identifiable individuals.

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## Hike Haliburton 'came into itself' in 2017

by CHAD INGRAM  
Times Staff

There were a few changes to the Hike Haliburton Festival this fall, and the county's tourism director plans to keep some of them for next year's event, while making other changes as well.

"I felt like the festival came into itself in 2017," tourism director Amanda Virtanen told members of the county's tourism committee during a Nov. 22 meeting.

The Hike Haliburton Festival takes place each September, offering guided hikes throughout the county.

This year, the number of hikes was increased from 91 to 100, allowing the county to proclaim the festival as Canada's largest of its kind, and the intention is to retain that increased number.

More challenging hikes were offered in the municipalities with the fewest hikes.

While the event has included some pre-festival hikes, along with an adventure challenge, Virtanen told committee members the intention is to drop these endeavours in favour of focusing on the festival's core programming.

"Pre-festival hikes have interesting turnout," Virtanen said, adding that it's been difficult to attract participants for the adven-

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# Nearly 14% of hike participants stay with local accommodators

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ture challenge.

"I think it's better just to focus on the four-day program."

For next year, Virtanen plans to recruit more volunteers earlier in the year, print more programs, and work with the Haliburton Highlands Stakeholders' Group on how the festival could more effectively put "heads in beds."

There has been an increase in the number of hikers who stay with local accommodators. According to Virtanen, while the percentage of participants who stay at local accommodations was once about four or five per cent, this year, that percentage was almost 14.

The Biggest Picnic Ever wrap-up event, which takes place in Head Lake Park, will continue to be the festival's flagship event. Although turnout for the picnic – which includes food and other vendors, music, beer, etc. – was low this year, committee members agreed that was most likely due to sweltering heat the day of.

Another change for next year will be switching from hike-specific hiking kits, that needed to be acquired at particular times and places, to more generic hiking kits – of small, medium and large sizes, essentially.

"There'll be a lot less administrative process on our end," Virtanen said.

She also asked committee members what they thought about the idea of a commitment fee, a nominal fee participants would pay to help ensure they show up for hikes

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If it's a nominal amount, people don't care.

— SUZANNE PARTRIDGE  
ON INTRODUCING A FEE FOR  
HIKE HALIBURTON

”

they have registered for.

Some committee members felt a small fee would do little to guarantee attendance.

"If it's a nominal amount, people don't care," said Highlands East Deputy-mayor Suzanne Partridge. "If they don't feel like coming that day, they won't."

Committee member Eric Thompson wondered if a commitment fee would be overstepping, since the festival already accepts donations to help offset the county's costs.

Donation buckets at the festival typically generate between \$3,000 and \$5,000.

The committee recommended to council that Yours Outdoors, which has been contracted by the county to help organize the festival for several years, receive the contract for next year's event.

Next year's Hike Haliburton Festival is scheduled for Sept. 20 to 23.

# Highlands East deputy-mayor named Haliburton County warden for 2018

by CHAD INGRAM  
Times Staff

Longtime Highlands East Deputy-mayor and county politician Suzanne Partridge will be Haliburton County warden for 2018.

County chief administrative officer Mike Rutter announced during a Nov. 22 council meeting that Partridge was the sole nominee under a new election process for warden.

The warden is the head of county council, which is comprised of the mayors and deputy-mayors of each of the county's four lower-tier municipalities. County councillors elect a warden each year from among themselves, that individual representing the county at a provincial level.

Traditionally, nominations for warden have been made from the floor during an annual inauguration meeting. Traditionally, only one name is put forward. And while both mayors and deputy-mayors may become warden, the position typically goes to one of county's four mayors.

County council enacted a new process for the election of warden this year, where interested individuals had to submit nomination forms by a Nov. 15 deadline. Following that, had there been more than one nominee, councillors would have held an election.

Partridge will be sworn in as warden on Tuesday, Dec. 12 at 2 p.m. in county council chambers on Newcastle Street in Minden.

A municipal politician for nearly 20 years, Partridge was reeve of Cardiff prior to amalgamation.



Suzanne Partridge, deputy-mayor of Highlands East, was chosen by county council to serve as warden for 2018. Partridge has been a municipal politician for nearly 20 years and was reeve of Cardiff prior to amalgamation. / File photo

## Joining meetings electronically not popular among councillors

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in for meetings was not so popular with county councillors

"I'm not really interested in being the guinea pig," said Minden Hills Mayor and County Warden Brent Devolin.

"I don't support this at all," said Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt. "When you sign up to be an elected official in your community, you sign up to attend and participate."

Moffatt pondered if council meetings of the future would be talking heads on computer screens.

"I'm with you on that, Councillor Moffatt," said Dysart et al Mayor Murray Fearrey. "I think there'll be abuse of it. Are you going to expect to get paid if you Skype in?"

Reasons council may enter closed session discussions have been expanded to include the following: "information explicitly supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board by Canada, a province or territory or a Crown agency of any of them; a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information, supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board, which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization; a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial or financial information that belongs to the municipality or local board and has monetary value or potential monetary value; or, a position plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board."

The legislation also more narrowly defines a council meeting to be a situation where, "a quorum of members is present," and, "members discuss or otherwise deal with any matter in a way that materially advances the business of decision-making of the council, local board or committee."

Bill 68 also permits councils to allow councillors to participate in meetings through electronic means, although those councillors do not count toward quorum for a meeting.

The idea of allowing themselves to Skype

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When you sign up to be an elected official in your community, you sign up to attend and participate.

— ALGONQUIN HIGHLANDS MAYOR CAROL MOFFATT ON RULES THAT ALLOW COUNCILLORS TO ATTEND MEETINGS VIA SKYPE

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## Santa comes to town

Children spread cheer, giving out plastic bead necklaces along the parade route in Minden. /JENN WATT Staff



A little boy and his goat caught the attention of many as he walked in the Minden Santa Claus Parade. The goat was wearing a Haliburton County Farmers' Association jacket in festive red.



Who wouldn't giggle riding in a fire truck in the Santa Claus parade?



Anson Casey points to the next float.



Michelle Wolfe-Miscio waves from the Guides float in the Minden parade with a polka-dot bear on her lap.



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Take Notice that the Budget Standing Committee, comprised of all members of Council, will meet on Tuesday December 12, 2017 at 9:00 am in the Council Chambers, located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, ON to review the first draft of the 2018 Budget.

For further information regarding the meeting, please contact Dawn Newhook, Clerk.

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# **Ministry of labour investigation continues**

by CHAD INGRAM  
Times Staff

Work continues on the Minden Hills fire hall after an incident last week where a worker fell from the roof of the building under construction along Highway 35.

The man was taken to hospital with serious injuries after trusses for the hall's roof collapsed on the afternoon of Tuesday, Nov. 21. A second construction worker, who was struck by a falling truss, was also taken to hospital, but was uninjured.

The Ministry of Labour is investigating the incident.

"On Nov. 22 an MOL inspector and engineer attended the project to continue the investigation," reads an email from communications staff at the ministry. "The requirement issued on Nov. 21 to not disturb the scene was withdrawn. One additional

order and one requirement were issued regarding damaged scaffold (complied with) and documentation (in process). As of Nov. 27 all orders and requirements have been complied with and our investigation is ongoing."

Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin said the incident will mean a delay on the project.

"The reality is, they'll have to order new trusses," Devolin told the paper. The cost for the material will be the responsibility of the company, not the township.

"I'd expect weeks, not months," Devolin said regarding the time delay, but said he'd have a better idea on timelines following his next meeting with the Greystone management group.

The project was scheduled to be completed about March, so it's possible the delay will push completion into April.

The paper was not able to contact Greystone before press time.

## **Green businesses grow with \$100K funding**

by SUE TIFFIN  
Times Staff

Haliburton County will look a little greener after a combined \$200,000 was invested into Haliburton Forest Biochar Ltd., and Quantum Passivhaus through the Eastern Ontario Development Program's (EODP) Collaborative Economic Development (CEDP) stream.

"Through the EODP, the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario (FedDev Ontario) is collaborating with Community Futures Development Corporations in Eastern Ontario to promote the growth of new and existing businesses in rural communities," reads a press release from the Honourable Navdeep Bains, Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development, and Minister responsible for FedDev Ontario. "This project is in collaboration with the Northumberland Community Futures Development Corporation (CFDC) and Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC)."

An investment of \$100,000 will help fund Haliburton Forest Biochar Ltd.'s \$671,000 biochar production facility, bringing up to 20 new full-time positions to Haliburton County. The biochar company plans to "displace non-renewable products with sustainable biomaterials, by creating value in a material where previously there was very little," according to a press release from the Northumberland Community Futures Development Corporation.

Biochar, typically used as a soil amendment, will leverage wood sawdust waste from the existing sawmill, according to the release.

"After years of research, a commercial opportunity was identified and a facility will be established, and year round jobs created in Haliburton County," said Peter Fredericks, HCDC board chair. "This is a great example of researching an idea then bringing it to life."

Minden's Quantum Passivhaus is being supported as a clean technology investment with \$100,000 toward a \$350,000 planned project expanding a new site facility in Minden that will include manufacturing, a showroom and a training centre. The project brings up to six new full-time positions to the area. Quantum Passivhaus, a house design and build company, provides smart homes and properties that meet current lifestyle needs, reads the press Northumberland CFDC release.

"The company designs buildings that meet the international passive house standards which include alternative energy solutions while reducing the ecological footprint and we are pleased they are bringing this innovative technology to our county," said Fredericks.

The funding investments were announced on Nov. 21. Minister Bains congratulated both businesses for expanding services and creating quality jobs and congratulated Quantum Passivhaus for promoting greener homes, and Haliburton Forest Biochar Ltd. for commercializing cleaner, renewable products.

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**A**S I BEGIN this column, I'm having a difficult time concentrating.

I'm having a difficult time concentrating because, as I write this, I've recently learned that hundreds of Ontarians will be losing their jobs.

Hundreds of Ontarians just like me. On Monday, Postmedia and TorStar, the country's two largest newspaper chains, announced a deal that essentially amounts to a newspaper trade. No money was exchanged in a transaction that saw Postmedia acquire 23 publications, a combination of both daily and weekly papers, from TorStar, while handing TorStar 17 publications. It was then announced that Postmedia would close all but one of the publications it had acquired, TorStar all but four.

So, from a group of 40 newspapers, five will remain.

Some 300 people are losing their jobs. Just in time for Christmas. My heart goes out to all of them.

Many of the shuttered publications have been around for more than a century and were cornerstones of their communities, at least at one time.

The newspaper industry in Canada, and around the world, has been in decline for a full decade now, for a combination of reasons that essentially amount to massive revenue drops courtesy of the existence of the internet.

The internet has destabilized many industries, as it's shifted the entire way we do, well, almost anything.

The difference with newspapers, with journalism, is that unlike most other industries, it is key to our very democracy.



**CHAD INGRAM**  
Reporter

While Monday's news is horrible for the journalists affected, it is also horrible for the communities they serve.

Just because newspapers close, it doesn't mean that things stop happening. It just means that stories will go unwritten. People will be left in the dark about what's going on in their own communities. There will be no oversight of process.

The work of community journalists is neither glamorous nor sexy, writing about roads projects and landfills and budgets. But it's important. It lets people know how their tax dollars are being spent. It lets them know what their elected officials are up to. It gives them an idea of whom they may or may not wish to support in the next election.

Community journalists are both watchdogs and cheerleaders. Along with the scrutiny of public processes, there are the art exhibitions, the athletic triumphs, the stories of local people doing extraordinary things, that in some places will now go unrecognized. Stories that deserve to be told, but that will have no narrator.

In Haliburton County, we are lucky that the newspapers are not owned by either of the major chains, although this one once was. We are also lucky that the county is a place where the actual, tangible newspaper is still so highly valued.

If you are lucky enough to live in a community that still has a local newspaper, please do your best to support it. Buy a subscription. Purchase an ad.

Local newspapers are mirrors to the communities they serve. Don't let your reflection disappear.

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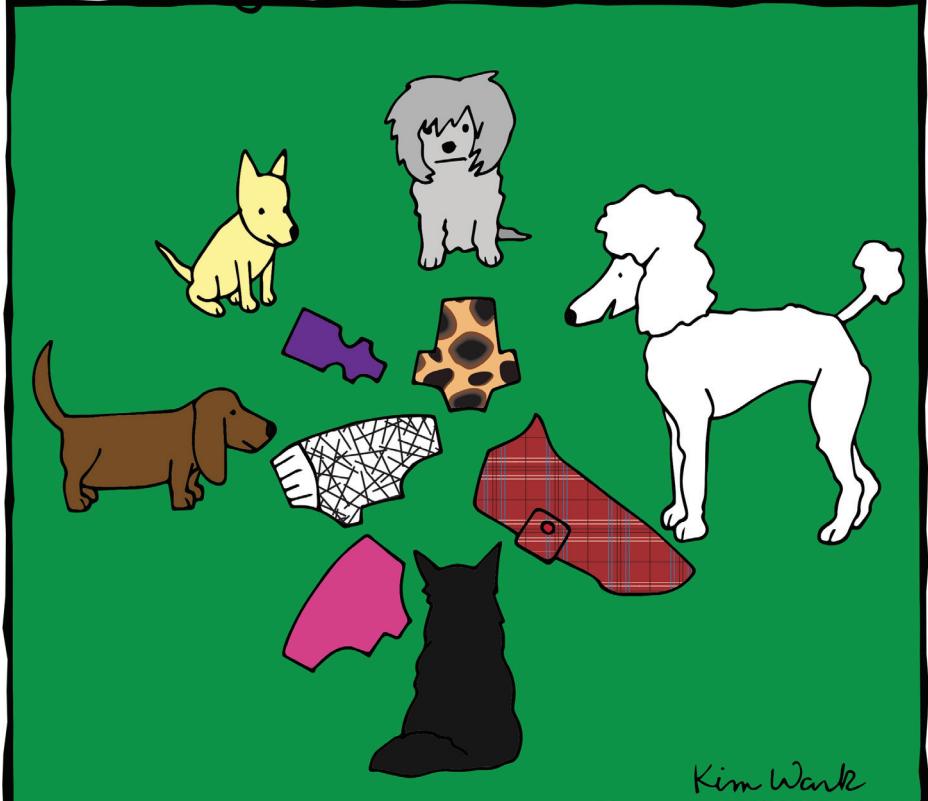
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## Kwarky



Kim Wank

"A gift exchange only works with different items."

## This is what a deer looks like

**F**IRST LET ME make a quick statement. Pickup trucks bear very little resemblance to deer. I and the overwhelming majority of hunters in Ontario and elsewhere know this, so rest easy.

Last week in the U.S., however, a news story introduced us to the exception. You might have heard about the hunter who shot a pickup truck that he mistook for a deer.

If there is a bright side to this it is that – unlike the hunter's reputation – the truck will probably make a full recovery. The other bright side is that I drive an SUV.

Even so, I find this incident troubling on so many levels. It is unfortunate primarily because someone could have got killed or hurt, but also because it gives hunters a bad name – one perhaps even worse than Percival.

With that in mind, let's break this down and determine what we have learned from this sorry incident.

I think the first big takeaway for anyone who hunts is never cheap out on an optometrist. I'm pretty sure if this guy had not relied on internet optical self-diagnosis, he might not have shot that truck.

Next, if you have deep-seated anger issues regarding vehicles in general or trucks in specific, you should seek therapy before it gets out of control.

On the other hand, this could have been a case of truck fever. With that in mind, here are a few proven tips to help combat this strange form of vehicular manslaughter.

We will begin by examining the key

features that make a truck different from a deer.

To begin with, if you are unsure of whether the thing you are considering putting a bullet into is a deer or a truck, take a moment to look for tires. They are those round things that keep a vehicle off the ground. Trucks have them; deer do not.

Another key indicator is rust, chrome, fuzzy dice or a shiny paint job. Again, these are not features commonly found on deer, so step away from your firearm if you notice them.

If the potential deer vocalizes in a strange way, say by going beep-beep or vroom-vroom, you are probably looking at a truck.

Also, just because it drove by a deer crossing, doesn't make it a deer. If you are still unsure after checking all these things, look for a rearview mirror as this is something deer definitely do not possess

in the wild. Nor is it common for deer to be adorned with bumper stickers that proclaim, "Share the Road" or "Honk, if you love Jesus!"

Also – and this is key – most full-sized trucks are substantially larger than deer.

If after all this, you are still unsure of the difference between a deer and a pickup truck, I would suggest you hang around parking lots or automobile dealerships in the off-season until you can identify a truck, 100 per cent of the time. Do not take a rifle with you.

Lastly, just to be clear, when you go to the department of motor vehicles to get a licence for a car, it doesn't give you the right to hunt them.



**STEVE GALEA**  
Beyond 35

## IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

# Bugs and the end of life

THE BUG SEASON is well beyond the coming winter, so it's safe to write about what wonderful creatures insects are. They do wonderful things for us; pollinate our food crops and flowers, feed the birds, control pests, consume our waste and give us useful things like silk and beeswax.

The most useful thing they are doing now is forecasting the end of life on earth as we know it. They are warning us that we likely are witnessing the earth's sixth mass extinction.

"Insects make up about two-thirds of all life on Earth [but] there has been some kind of horrific decline," Dave Goulson, a prominent British biologist was quoted in *The Guardian* newspaper last month. "We appear to be making vast tracts of land inhospitable to most forms of life, and are currently on course for ecological Armageddon. If we lose the insects, everything is going to collapse."

That type of talk sounds laughable to anyone who spends time in Haliburton County during May and June. Outside can be a nightmare at that time of year as the blackflies emerge, followed by the mosquitoes, deer flies, horse flies, sand flies, gnats and a variety of No-See-Ums.

Yet even in the land of bug abundance there is speculative evidence that some species are disappearing. Black flies are far less frequent than they were 20 years ago.

If you want to collect evidence of your own, pay attention to your auto windshield next spring. Truckers in developed countries have reported fewer windshield bug splatters in recent years.

Various studies around the world are reporting major declines in insect populations.

One German study conducted over 27 years reported recently that flying insect populations in parts of that country have declined by 75 per cent. The latest State of Nature report by the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds suggests that United Kingdom insect populations have declined 59 per cent since 1970.

We don't give insects much thought because they do not appear to have any purpose except to irritate us. The only bugs that receive much human concern are honey bees and Monarch butterflies.

Also, the pesticide industry is a \$50 billion a year business that spreads money around governments and elected officials to receive favourable attention and lessened scrutiny.

Insects make up about 70 per cent of all earth's animal species. Roughly 80 per cent of all wild plants rely on insects for pollination and 60 per cent of birds rely upon them for food.

Certainly insects can be harmful and destructive. Think emerald ash borer and other nasty bugs that are sickening our forests. Or, malaria and West Nile, diseases that are a curse on humanity.

But we must balance our thinking about bugs. The dangers of insect population declines are serious because bugs are critical to ecosystems that sustain overall life on earth. We need more awareness of the ecological importance of diverse and abundant insect populations.

Back in 1992, a group of 1,700 scientists from around the world issued a warning that humans had pushed ecosystems to the breaking point that could ruin life on the planet.

Now 15,000 scientists from 184 countries have issued a follow-up to mark the 25th anniversary of the 1992 warning.

"Humanity has failed to make sufficient progress in generally solving these foreseen environmental challenges, and alarmingly, most of them are getting far worse," says the follow-up warning. "Soon it will be too late to shift course away from our failing trajectory."

There is hope, however, that a sixth mass extinction can be prevented. Decisive action on chlorofluorocarbons, the chemicals found in aerosol cans, refrigerators and air conditioners, has shrunk the dangerous hole in the earth's protective ozone layer.

"The rapid global decline in ozone depleting substances shows that we can make positive change when we act decisively," says the follow-up from the world's scientists.

We can act decisively by learning more about what is happening in the insect world and how it affects us. Because if the decline of insect populations is a sign that a sixth mass extinction is underway, we need to worry that humanity might be one of the species that does not survive it.

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## letters to the editor

# Merry Minden!

## To the Editor,

I would like to congratulate everyone involved in the merrying of Minden Village.

There have been a series of near perfect happenings over the last week or so that have resulted in a wonderful warm and welcoming feeling throughout the town.

And moreover it was a team effort all the way. The township's Community Services Department needs to be heartily applauded. The stars of the various "shows" were/are Elisha Weiss, Ruth O'Connell, and Laurie Carmont. The Santa Claus Parade, The Festival of Trees, The Christmas Craft show and the delightful Lights and Delights events were all top notch efforts. They must be tired little elves by now.

They need to know that their efforts are much appreciated by the lazy and uninspired rest of us.

The list of volunteers that helped make all of this happen is immense. But special credit needs to be given to Mary McCrae (the Empress of Ingoldsby) for her tireless attitude in getting the town dressed for the season. Her group of "volun-tolds" worked together with Elisha and the CSD guys to produce a fresh new holiday look for Main Street. Both Mary and Elisha are like Energizer Bunnies.....whoops, wrong holiday.

Most sincerely and without the usual sarcasm, I am very happy and proud to continue to play a small part in the festive proceedings.

Sinclair Russell  
Minden

# Love thy BOSU!

I BELIEVE THE greatest piece of fitness equipment available is the BOSU trainer. I also believe that all households should have one in front of every television. OK, that may be a bit extreme but you get the idea.

In 2000 David Weck invented the BOSU trainer. It is often described as a half ball and that's because that is exactly what it looks like. It consists of an inflated rubber hemisphere attached to a rigid plastic platform. The name BOSU was originally an acronym for "Both Sides Up," but has since evolved to mean "Both Sides Utilized."

I love the BOSU. It provides so many different options to enhance workouts. Simply standing on the rounded side is a challenge for the muscles that stabilize our bodies. For some people, stepping on and off of the BOSU is initially demanding (and a little unnerving) but it doesn't take long for the body to adapt – because that is what the body does.

We are not doing ourselves any favours standing or moving along flat surfaces. It comes back to the "use or lose it" philosophy. So the more controlled uneven, unbalanced, and unstable situations we can create the better. It's like practising for the fall you never want to experience. A course instructor I once had said "don't count your falls, count your catches." I am always amazed at those close calls that don't end with me on my butt – or worse. Thank you, BOSU!

Here are some exercises you can try if you have access to a BOSU trainer:

With the flat side down and round side up, try stepping on and off the BOSU. If

that is easy, step on and stand on it for a 10 to 20 seconds. Repeat over and over again. Switch up which foot that you use to step up with first. Watch how that changes things for you.

When you're comfortable standing on the BOSU, from that standing position on the round rubbery side try a small jump and land on the BOSU. Repeat this a few times. Keep your knees bent on the landing.

Flip the BOSU over so the flat side is up and try some push-ups with your hands on either side of the flat part, and your knees or toes on the floor. Keep the BOSU from rocking as you complete 10 to 20 push-ups. (PLEASE NOTE: I never have clients stand on the flat side for safety reasons).

There are so many other ways to use the BOSU. You can do lunges, squats, mountain climbers, crunches, planks, and v-sits. You can jump on and off. You can jump from BOSU to BOSU if you have more than one. You can incorporate it into your weight workout. The combinations are endless, much like the challenges of everyday life.

Next time you have a chance to work with this amazing piece of fitness equipment give it a try. It really is the greatest fitness invention ever.

Something to think about.

Laurie Sweig is a certified personal trainer and spinning instructor. She is one of the founders of The Point for Fitness: [www.thepointforfitness.com](http://www.thepointforfitness.com).



## Star of the show

Creative Christmas decorations made each tree special at Festival of Trees at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre. /JENN WATT Staff



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Spencer Upton fills out his scavenger hunt entry form after finding one of the objects placed around the Minden Hills Cultural Centre during the Festival of Trees on Nov. 25.



Tegan Legge takes a photo of Randy and Cheryl Moratz with Nessie Legge in the middle during the Festival of Trees at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre on Saturday, Nov. 25. The seats were specially arranged for people – including Santa Claus post-parade – to do photo shoots.



Barbara Ballantyne, left, and Marlene Brett warm up with hot chocolate and goodies at the Bowron House in the Minden Hills Cultural Centre during Festival of Trees.

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# County price tag for Hometown Hockey about \$16K

by CHAD INGRAM  
Times Staff

Hosting Rogers Hometown Hockey in October ultimately cost Haliburton County just less than \$16,000.

A follow up report on the event, which took place in Haliburton Village Oct. 14 and 15, was received by members of the county's tourism committee during a Nov. 22 meeting.

During a September council meeting, councillors discovered the county was expected to cover some costs, including signage and security.

It was unclear at the time exactly what those expenses might total, but it was indicated that signage and security could cost in the neighbourhood of \$10,000, respectively.

The report received last week from county tourism director Amanda Virtanen shows the final expenses for the county to be approximately \$16,000.

Some \$5,300 was spent on shuttle buses bringing residents to Head Lake Park, where the festival took place; another \$2,000 spent on bussing to get students from throughout the county to a special event that took place at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School the Friday of the event weekend.

"The event served as a great platform to gather all students (first time ever, to our knowledge) and also built up excitement for the festival weekend," Virtanen's report reads. "The visit included a hockey-themed 'circus show,' the Hometown Hockey mascot and videos. After the visit, all of the students met on the field of the high school for a drone photo captured by County of Haliburton staff. This footage was used in the Rogers Sportsnet broadcast, by the schools and widely throughout social media."

Signage ended up costing just more than \$10,000, security just more than \$6,000. Another \$300 was spent on marketing for an

approximate total of \$23,800.

This amount was offset by a grant from Hydro One for \$6,000, and contributions from the lower-tier municipalities for the shuttle service totally approximately \$1,800.

Virtanen told councillors at the meeting that some signage was sold to Orillia for \$400, dropping the county's total to less than \$16,000.

"Approximately 4,000 people came out to the festival over the course of the weekend," Virtanen told councillors. "Based on feedback from the Rogers team and the SDI marketing team that worked with Rogers and what staff witnessed during the broadcast, the Haliburton Highlands had one of the best turnouts of any tour stop, despite being the smallest location ever visited in terms of population. Both SDI marketing and the team at Rogers continue to send kudos and have said that the Haliburton Highlands set a new standard for the event. So we're really, really proud of that."

The weekend's festivities culminated with a live broadcast from Head Lake Park featuring TV personalities Ron MacLean and Tara Slone. According to Virtanen's report, the Haliburton Highlands received significant exposure from the event.

"The Haliburton Highlands received 9.1 million consumer impressions over the course of the festival, including pre/post mentions across broadcast, print, radio and social media," the report reads.

"Of that, 6.5 million came from the Hockey Night in Canada which aired on Saturday, Oct. 14 and included promotion of the show and 1.9 million from the Rogers Hometown Hockey pre-game and game broadcast with aired on Sunday, Oct. 15. Looking at the total cost per consumer impression, it would be at a cost of \$0.001."

Virtanen said there were a number of community benefactors, including notably the Highland Storm Minor Hockey Association,

which received a \$15,000 donation from Scotiabank.

The hockey club received an additional \$500 from Rogers because team players collected garbage, and also received additional proceeds from a barbecue run by the local Lions and Rotary clubs. Virtanen also noted that Haliburton Hockey Haven, which was featured in one of the broadcast's segments, had received a spike in traffic to its website and chief administrative officer Mike Rutter said restaurants in Haliburton were busy throughout the

course of the weekend.

"We were kind of all waiting, I think, for this wrap up," said Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt, adding the total was not the \$25,000 figure "that a number of people got very upset about, without justification. It was unfortunate that, there were some attacks on the whole process without ever having seen the final numbers. If it came in at 50 grand, yes, there'd be a bit of a reckoning, but to not even wait until the final metrics were in, I think was a bit unfair on the part of some people."

## Sprucing things up

Volunteers organized by Mary McCrae, Sinclair Russell and Elisha Weiss met the week prior to the Lights and Delights event in Minden to help create decor in the annual bough-making session. Later, decorations were hung along Minden's main street, in the village green and along the bridge to help bring some festive cheer to the downtown area for the 2017 winter season. Here, Weiss, left, and Ryan Sisson work together to tie a spray of greens. /SUE TIFFIN Staff



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# Shindig sells out for fourth year straight

The Highlands Christmas Shindig again brought the community together for an evening of celebration in aid of a good cause. Fuel for Warmth received a novelty cheque for \$22,225 at the end of the event on Saturday, Nov. 25 at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion, but the charity's treasurer says donations keep rolling in.

"I suspect the total to become at least \$23,500," he wrote in a follow-up email to the paper.

The production included more than 40

performers, 31 sponsors, 21 contributors, 27 volunteers and five media sponsors.

Fuel for Warmth assists residents in paying their fuel bills through the winter months, which are especially difficult in the seasonal economy. More than a quarter of families assisted are seniors, 22 per cent include children.

In four years of the Shindig, \$70,000 has been raised. The event is produced by Mike Jaycock and Lorraine McNeil.

- Jenn Watt



Cassidy Glecoff and Marques Bortolussi laugh on stage at the Highlands Christmas Shindig. Glecoff and Bortolussi are part of the band Northbourne. / JENN WATT Staff



Dame Beatrice (who looks a lot like Mike Jaycock) and Elf (who is strangely similar to Lorraine McNeil) invited local MP Jamie Schmale up to the stage for a selfie during the shindig. Schmale was a good sport and even stayed on the stage for part of the performance.



Guy Pritchard and Kate Butler performed a skit about a husband and wife deciding what to write in their Christmas cards.

# MERRY MINDEN

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## MINOR HOCKEY

### Bantam A pull off comeback against Otters

The Highland Storm Pepper Mill Steak and Pasta House Dollo's Foodland Bantam A faced off against rival Huntsville Otters Friday at S.G. Nesbitt Arena in Minden. The scoreless first period saw some good action and some particularly nice saves by Storm goalie Ben Landry including one reaching behind to smother the puck just before it crossed the goal line. Huntsville scored the game's first goal on a screen shot and jumped up by two 90 seconds later. Tyson Clements put the locals on the scoreboard after some hard work by Tim Turner and Hunter Arnott in the corner put Clements alone in front of the net. The Otters regained their two goal cushion at the end of the second period on a power play goal although had a rocket wrist shot by Desi Davies been just a bit lower it could have been a game changer. Nice job by the defensive unit too against the high flying Otters to keep the Storm right in the thick of things throughout the match. With no scoring in the third period, an entertaining game saw the Otters take home a 3-1 victory.

The Storm were right back at it on Saturday afternoon versus the Kawartha Coyotes. Play was fairly even for a good part of the opening period however the Coyotes would draw first blood after the Storm were unable to clear out a rebound following a spectacular save by the Highlands' Nate Mischio. The Coyotes jumped ahead by two just after a terrific power play almost tied the game. The Coyotes went up by three before the Storm finally found the back of the net with a two-man advantage on a Desi Davies goal to make it 3-1 Kawartha heading into the third period. Jake Sisson scored to make it 3-2 tipping in a shot from the point by Jaxon Gill and Brendan Coumbs finished off a strong Highland Storm comeback scoring with 90 seconds left in the game for a 3-3 final. The boys play next on Tuesday the 28th versus Sturgeon.

*Submitted by Gord Hoenow*

### Bantam girls bring home gold

The Canadian Tire/Parkview Dental Bantam girls Jets won The Kitchener Lady Rangers Fallfest Tournament C Division this past weekend.

The first game, Friday afternoon saw the Jets face the South Bruce Blades. The girls worked hard but despite all of their efforts fell short by a goal with a final score of 3-2 in favour of the Blades. Gillian Rosik, with a stick-to-stick pass from Emma Tidey, was in a scramble in front of the net and was able to get a hold of the puck and tapped it in. Haley Goulet received a pass from teammate Hannah McMann, bounced the puck off the boards past her opponents, and scored with a wrist shot over the goalie's right pad.

Friday night, the team played the Napanee Crunch and this time took the win 2-1. Scoring for the Jets was Emma Tidey, who took a shot and the puck ricochetted off the post into the back of the net. Ryan Rupnow added the second with a wrist shot from the blue line. Rosik assisted on both goals.

Early Saturday morning, the Jets met up and shut down the Ennismore Eagles. Tidey starting the Jets' scoring streak, skating the puck through the Eagles' defence and landed it top right corner, unassisted. McMann, with a precision pass from Emily Alexander, and a powerful front flick drifted the puck into the back of the net. Goulet, with a wrist shot, found an opening over the Eagles goalie's trapper, assisted by McMann. Tidey added her second and the final goal of the game by being persistent and digging in a scramble in the crease area and was able to net the puck unassisted. Final score Jets 4, Ennismore 0.

Saturday afternoon the Jets secured a spot in the finals and faced the Lambton Attack in a evenly matched game with both teams skating end to end the entire time. The Jets took the win 2-1. Goals were scored by Tidey, assisted by Alexander, and McMann, assisted by Emma Neuman.

The championship game, Sunday morning saw the Jets up against the South Bruce Blades for another match. This time determined to win, the team came out flying and each team member brought their "A game" to the ice. A spectacle of speed, passing, communicating with one another and a vast array of hockey skills were displayed in front of a large crowd. Early in the first period, Goulet was successful in retrieving her own rebound and tipped it past the Blades goalie, assisted by Kennedy Croskery. With two minutes remaining in the first, Rosik with a wrist shot put the puck top right corner, assisted by Jaylin Frost. The second period saw the girls continue to battle for the puck but no goals were scored by both teams. Jets now 2, Blades 0.

The third period saw the team face some unexpected challenges and had the crowd on the edge of their seats. With 4:16 on the clock, the Jets incurred a penalty and then at 3:03 another. To add to the tension, the Blades pulled their goalie pressuring the Jets in a six on three situation. The girls skated even harder, pulled together as a team and fought right to the end to keep their rivals from getting on the scoreboard. Goulet was able to score the final goal of the game with an empty netter unassisted.

Bella Smolen has a fantastic weekend in net for the Jets. Her great goalie sense, quick reflexes, pad blocking, blocker stopping and trapper catching skills earned two shutouts and assisted the team in conquering their "Quest for Gold!" Way to go team, coaches, bench staff, manager, and parents for helping the girls have a successful weekend. Thank you also to the sponsors, Canadian Tire/Parkview Dental who made it possible with their ongoing support.

*Submitted by Linda Goulet*

### Peewees take on Coyotes, Hornets and Braves

On Wednesday, Nov. 22, the JoAnne Sharpley's Source for Sports Haliburton Family Medical Centre Peewees headed to Omemee to play the Kawartha Coyotes. The Coyotes scored two quick goals at the start of the first but the Storm cut the lead in half with a goal by Aiden Perrott assisted by Kyan Hall. The Storm tied the game in the second with Perrott scoring again assisted by Hall and then Gage Hutchinson scoring unassisted to take the lead. The Storm held on and beat the Coyotes 3-2. The Peewees headed to Brighton to play in a one-day tournament on Saturday, Nov. 25. The Storm took on the Norwood Hornets first. The Hornets scored first but the Storm tied it up with a goal by Hall unassisted. The Hornets scored again but so did the Storm with another goal by Hall unassisted. The Hornets scored to put them ahead 3-2 going into the third and added another to put them ahead by two. Hall scored again assisted by Evan Armstrong to put it back within one but so did the Hornets who took the game 5-3.

The Storm faced the Loyalist Jets in the second game with Hall opening the scoring assisted by Cooper Coles and Hutchinson. The Jets tied the game in the second but the Storm took advantage on the power play and Hutchinson scored assisted by Avery Degeer to regain the lead. The Storm scored again in the third with a goal by Zander Upton assisted by Hall the Storm held on to the lead and took the game 3-1. With the second game win the Storm faced the Brighton Braves in the A final.

With both teams fighting for the win the

Braves were on the board first but the Storm kept battling hard and tied the game with a goal by Hutchinson assisted by Damon Harriss to go into the second. The Braves scored again but the Storm kept with them with Austin Boylan scoring unassisted to tie it up. Again the Braves scored to take the lead but the Storm kept going with Boylan scoring unassisted again to tie it up 3-3 going into the third. With the Storm still trying to come out on top Boylan scored again giving him the hat trick and the Storm the lead 4-3. The Braves scored to tie it back up 4-4 and then scored again to put them up 5-4. The Storm battled hard but the Braves put one into the empty net to give them the win 6-4. Great goaltending by both Storm goalies Taylor Consack and Harriss. Next game for the Peewees in Dec. 5 in Minden against the Kawartha Coyotes at 7:30 p.m.

*Submitted by Ron Hall*

### Close games for Atom AE

On Saturday, Nov. 25, the G.J. Burtch Construction Storm Atom AE team hosted two great games of hockey at the A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton against the Almaguin Ice Devils. The Storm dominated the first game. Two goals coming from Jase Mills and Isaac Lee and then Cayden Russell and Parker Simms also put one up on the scoreboard for themselves, ending the game in a 6-2 win for the Highland Storm.

Second game was an entirely different game. The Ice Devils were not going down without a fight. In the first period the Storm players took the lead with two goals from Mills and a third from Lee. With many penalties, Mills was able to score his third goal for the hat trick. Evan Jones scored one more goal for the Storm ending the game in 5-5 tie.

On Sunday the Storm players travelled to Huntsville to take on the Otters. First period neither team were able to score. Second period the Otters scored the first goal. Going into the third period the Storm players stepped up their game. Degan Davidson sent a pass to Lee for their first goal. With only 1:36 left on the clock Liam Harrison passed the puck to Mills who scored to end the game in a 3-2 loss.

On Dec. 2, the Storm will be travelling to Collingwood to take on the Blackhawks.

*Submitted by Lisa Reinwald*

### A win and a loss for Atom A team

The Cottage Country Building Supplies/Ridgewood Ford Highland Storm Atom A's hosted Brock Wild at the A.J. LaRue arena on Saturday, Nov. 24. The first period Cheyenne Degeer scored an unassisted goal putting the Storm on the scoreboard. However in the second the Brock Wild scored with only minutes left and made it a 1-1 hockey game going into the third. The third was a goal by Brechin Johnston, assisted by Joshua Scheffe and then minutes later another goal this time by Addison Carr, assisted by Johnston and Caleb Manning. But the Wild didn't give up and with only a minute left scored and made the final a 3-2 win for the Storm.

On Sunday, Nov. 25 the Cottage Country Building Supplies/Ridgewood Ford Highland Storm Atom A team travelled to Elmvale to face the Elmvale Coyotes. Unfortunately the Storm faced a tough 7-1 loss. Goal was scored by Addison Carr and assisted by Mak Prentice.

The Atom A's will be travelling to Fenelon Falls to face the Sturgeon Lake Thunder on Sunday Dec. 3 at 3:45 p.m.

### South Muskoka no match for Tykes

The Tom Prentice and Sons Trucking Tykes played a doubleheader on Saturday, Nov. 25.

First they travelled to Humphrey to face the Muskoka Rock. Vanek Logan who was all alone backhanded the puck in the net, scoring the lone goal of the first period. Both goals in the second were scored by Evan Perrott and assisted by Mason Latanville. The first, Perrott keeps the puck in at the blue line and takes it to the net, using his wrist shot to beat the Muskoka goaltender. The second was a goal from the blue line off a faceoff win by the Storm. The final period of the game consisted of three goals all scored by the Storm. McCartney Saunders assists Jaxon Casey's first of two. Casey picks up the loose puck up in front of the net and buries it. Three minutes later, Casey takes advantage of a rebound and puts it in the back of the net, with assists going to Easton Burk and Saunders. With three seconds left in the game, Perrot puts in a big solo effort to net his third goal of the game. Storm wins 6-0.

The Tom Prentice and Sons Trucking Tykes win the second game of their double header on Nov. 25. South Muskoka was no match for the Storm. Evan Perrott opens the high scoring first period with an unassisted breakaway goal. Assisted by Matthew Scheffee, defenceman Zach Prentice get his first goal of the season after breaking down the right side of the ice and wrists one by Muskoka's goalie. The next Storm goal was a wrap around, scored by Vanek Logan, unassisted. Easton Burk picks up a rebound goal off a shot on net by Mason Latanville. A five-hole goal by Perrott finishes off the period. South Muskoka was determined to get on the scoreboard, and they did just that by getting the first goal in the second. Fighting back, Jaxon Casey feeds a pass to McCartney Sanders who gets it by the opponent's goaltender. Burk then gets his second goal of the game after rushing down the left side. The final goal of the game is scored by Latanville who was all alone out front. The Storm take the game 8-1.

On Saturday, Dec. 2, the Tykes will be travelling to Lindsay to take on the Muskies at 2:15 p.m.

*Submitted by Jessica Tomlinson*

### Midgets victorious over Ice Devils

It was a busy week for the Highlander and Smolen Family Dentistry Midget team, with a couple of home games and one away, resulting in a loss and two shutout wins.

It began Tuesday, Nov. 21 in Haliburton when they suffered their first loss in the regular season 2-1, against the Kawartha Coyotes. Then, they crushed Brock Wild 5-0 in Minden, Friday, November 24. Next, it was off to Sunridge, Saturday, November 25 to shut down the Almaguin Ice Devils, 2-0. You can say it was bad luck for the Midgets, however, they did all they could against the Coyotes. From posts, to cross bars, to disallowed goals, nothing worked and they experienced their first 2-1 regular season loss.

Team captain Owen Patterson-Smith got the only goal with help from O'Neill. The Brock Wild is no match for the Storm team and that 5-0 win gave Carson Sisson a nice shut-out.

It was an action-packed game against the Ice Devils. The Storm took the lead in the first period. A great set-up by Lucas Haedicke, drawing the defence and the goalie and finding open Prentice to capture the goal. Early in the second period, Owen Smith intercepted a pass and expertly top cornered the Storm's second goal. The last period saw a busy penalty box but stayed scoreless, and the Midgets returned home with a 2-0 victory.

Next: come out and cheer on the Storm Midgets as they take on the Woodville Hurricanes, Nov. 28 at 8:30 p.m. in Minden.

*Submitted by Suzanne Haedicke*

# Hawks soar high above Hurricanes

by **DARREN LUM**  
Times Staff

The Red Hawks Kawartha High School Boys Hockey League home opener was all over within a few minutes.

Excited by the start of the season, the noise and anticipation by the home crowd, the Hawks came out with an unrivalled intensity that put the visiting Holy Cross Hurricanes of Peterborough on the defensive. They outpaced the physically smaller and less-skilled Hurricanes, 9-0.

Head Coach Ron Yake and assistant coach Jason Morissette were pleased with the team's effort and their ability to execute, scoring early.

"We really caught them off guard in the first five to eight minutes of the game with a solid forecheck. It's been something we've been working on in practice so it was awesome to see. That created some opportunities so it resulted in some goals," Yake said.

The Hawks were up 4-0 within the first five minutes of the game. They would add three more in the second to seal the deal. The third was mainly a formality.

Hawks centre Owen Smith scored the first goal for the eventual game-winner and was in on three of the next four goals, scoring an additional one and adding two assists. He finished with five points (two goals and three assists) to lead all players while teammate Zach Morissette assisted on Smith's first goal and finished with four points (one goal and three assists).

Zach Morissette is in Grade 10 and scored his first goal for the Hawks in his rookie season. Last year he was on the Hawks' practice squad.

Teammate and Grade 9 rookie Desi Davies scored his first high goal, adding an insurance marker less than two minutes after Smith's opening goal. Hawks forward Owen Gilbert scored a pair of goals.

There's a big difference between when players are attempting solo rushes to score versus scoring as a team, which Yake likened to the difference between shinny and high level hockey.

He said his team was strong in executing game plans worked on in practice, which resulted in four of the team's goals.

Like any season, the power play needs to be the best it can be, he said.

There were positives that he saw, but the team will be refining and looking to improve, which will be important with stronger competition.

Getting the start in this game for the Hawks was goalie Carson Sisson, who earned the shutout.

There were a handful of scoring chances for the visitors, but that was it.

"Our goaltender played well even though he didn't have a lot of action, but he was still steady and the puck didn't go in," he said.

Backing him up was goalie Jaxson Campbell. In attendance, but not dressed was goalie Ethan Glecoff.

Yake liked what he saw in this game from his blueliners (Nolan Flood, Carter O'Neill, Shawn Walker, Braeden Vasey and Nicolas Dollo). He said they were steady and controlled the game.

"You might say they weren't noticed, which means they were in full control. This is awesome. They have to feel good about that and they moved the puck out [of the defensive zone] very well and clean. There was a couple times it was very good ... it's an area of the game sometimes people don't see, but if you ever play on a team when your defence can't control the play they're noticed," he said.

Sometimes in games where one team dominates it's difficult for players to remain disciplined.

However the Hawks demonstrated a respect for their opponents and one another.

This wasn't lost on Yake. It reminds him of the team's mantra for the past few years when it comes to wins and losses.

"When you lose say little. When you win say less. I've mentioned that to them a couple of times. Hopefully that idea of you play the game, you play it hard and you do your best. Whatever the outcome you have some respect over what's taken place. I'm very proud of them today of that. It's always easy when you're winning, easier anyway. It was a good start," he said.

Being shorthanded from undisciplined play factors in close games.

In a 9-0 win this didn't necessarily come up, but the young men are fully aware to avoid penalties that can hurt a team's chances.



Red Hawks forward Devyn Prentice, in white, goes to the net with a Holy Cross Hurricanes defender tying him up during Kawartha High School Boys Hockey League action on Thursday, Nov. 23 in Haliburton. Owen Smith, who finished with five points (two goals and three assists) scored the first goal, which became the game-winner in the lopsided home opener./DARREN LUM Staff

"We had one player apologize to the rest of the team already. He understands that it doesn't matter about the situation that you have to be careful about selfish penalties. He understood that from the get-go. He was upset about that to himself. That's a great sign," he said. "They understand if you want to have success you have to work on it. It's a work in progress for some of these guys and as a team together, a collective whole to work to reduce penalties. To have fewer penalties than your opponent ... if you can end up with a couple less minutes [of penalties] at the end of the game compared to your opponent you're probably going to be in a better opportunity to win games."

The team's next home game is on Wednesday, Dec. 6 against the Saints of St. Peter Catholic Secondary School from Peterborough. Puck drops at 3:45 p.m. All home games are held at the A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton.

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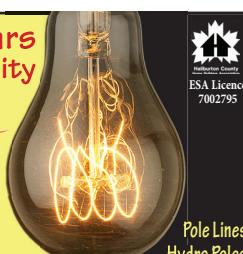
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# Ace of Spades secures third place

by DARREN LUM  
Times Staff

Great playing and a little luck helped to secure third place for the Minden Curling Club's U18 Men's rink, led by 14-year-old skip Evan Roitz of Bobcaygeon.

A slow start at the BroomSpiel 2017, presented by the Brooms League and hosted at the East York Curling Club on Saturday, Nov. 25, did little to discourage the team.

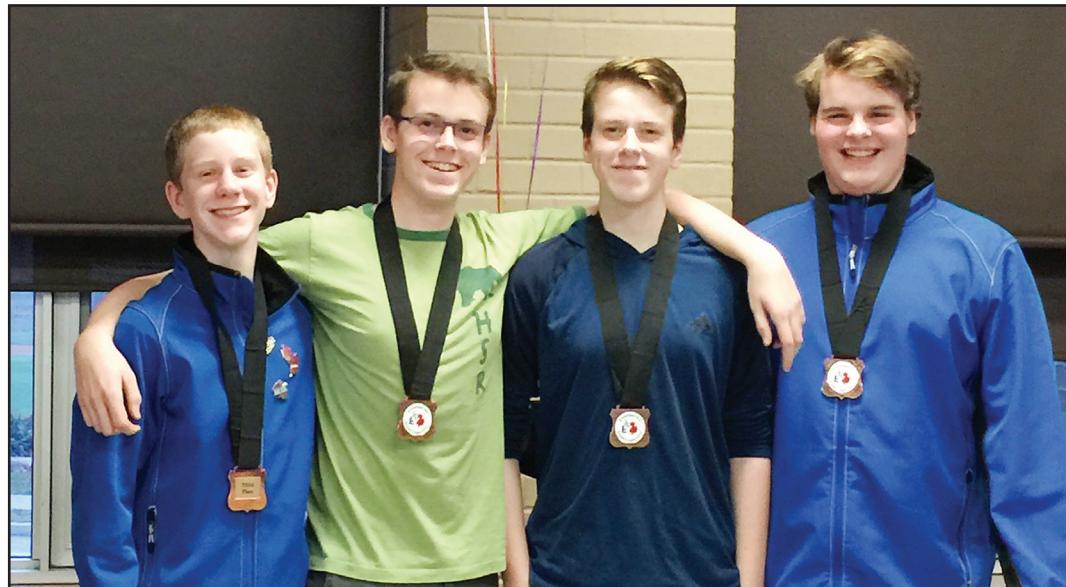
The team, which practices out of Minden and Uxbridge, includes Minden's Liam Little, second, and Uxbridge brothers Aidan, vice, and Griffen Bowers, lead.

This bonspiel had each team play three six-end games in the "point-spiel" format competition open to everyone, which included men's, mixed and women's teams. A points-spiel is broken down into one point for each end won, a quarter-of-a-point for each point and 10 points for each win.

Despite Roitz's rink starting with a loss in their first game only scoring four points, they rebounded winning both of their next games, scoring 18.5 points and then 19.5 points at the open competition.

The Roitz rink and another team were tied at the end by 2-1 records.

Organizers then examined ends won and a tie remained, then they examined points scored and a tie remained. Both skips were then asked to draw a card from a deck. Roitz drew



an ace of spades, which broke the tie and gave the Minden-based rink third place and \$80 prize money.

This team also won four commemorative milk jugs provided by event sponsor Steam Whistle Brewing.

The team will be playing weekly, acquiring more experience towards peaking for the Slam Championship in Guelph

Minden Curling Club's U18 Men's team from left, skip Evan Roitz of Bobcaygeon, vice Aidan Bowers, lead Griffen Bowers, both of Uxbridge, and second Liam Little of Minden stand with their third place medals earned at the BroomSpiel 2017.

/Submitted by Michelle Roitz

from March 29 to April 2.

Roitz's mother said her son and his teammates had never had to do that to break a tie before.

"Odd, but it worked in our favour," she said.

## Seniors' art group meets weekly at Minden Legion



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Did you know the veteran shown on the lower left hand corner of the pictured \$10 bill is Robert Metcalfe, who died

at the age of 90 in 2011? He was born in England and was one of the 400,000 members of the British Expeditionary Force sent to the mainland where they found themselves facing the new German warfare technique – the Blitzkrieg. He was treating a wounded comrade when he was hit in the legs by shrapnel. En route to hospital, his ambulance came under fire from a German tank, which then miraculously ceased fire. Evacuated from Dunkirk on HMS Grenade, two of the sister ships with them were sunk. Recovered, he was sent to allied campaigns in North Africa and Italy. En route his ship was chased by the German battleship Bismarck. Sent into

the Italian campaign, he met his future wife, a lieutenant and physiotherapist in a Canadian hospital. After the war, they settled in Chatham, where he became the chairman of the county, and on his retirement moved to Ottawa, where at age 80, he wrote a book about his experiences. One day, out of the blue, he received a call from a government official for a photo shoot. He had no idea what the photo was for, or that he would be on the bill. So now you know the story of the old veteran on the \$10 bill.

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# Red Hawks wrestle with the best

The 2017/18 wrestling season kicked off last week with the first competition of the season. On Thursday, Nov. 23, six members of the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School wrestling team competed at the annual Tom Nigro Wrestling Tournament held at Trenton High School.

Over 150 athletes from the COSSA and Kingston Regions attended the event and HHSS wrestlers once again showed that they can wrestle with the best.

Connie Oh and Owen Wootton showed great potential in their first ever tournament experience. Both Connie and Owen

wrestled solidly throughout the day. They have established the basics needed for success in the future. Coaches Klose and Fockler look forward to their growth in the future, along with the other Grade 9 students who joined the Red Hawks wrestling team this year.

Nic Graham went undefeated in the cadet division at 95 kg. His technique continued to improve throughout the day. He finished the day with a 3-0 record to win the gold medal. Veteran wrestler Aidan Coles returned to the mat in fine form in the 95 kg open (senior) weight class. Aidan lost only one of his four matches to take home the bronze medal.

In the women's division, Grade 12 wres-

tlers Emily Klose and Noelle Dupret Smith each started their season with impressive performances in the 67.5 kg open class. Emily lost only one match against the eventual champion early in the day, but won all other matches to earn the bronze medal. On the other side of the draw, Noelle remained undefeated in preliminary rounds to advance to the championship match. She had a good match with several great scrambles, but was pinned late in the first round. Noelle finished the day with a silver medal.

Congratulations on a great start for this season. Practices continue as the HHSS wrestling team prepares for the next competition on Dec. 6 in Peterborough.

Submitted by Paul Klose



From left, Nic Graham, Aidan Coles, Noelle Dupret Smith, Emily Klose, Owen Wootton and Connie Oh. /PAUL KLOSE Special to the Echo

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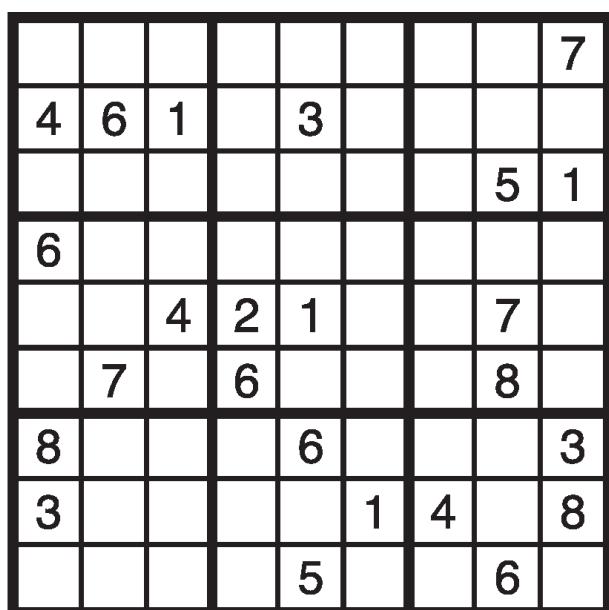
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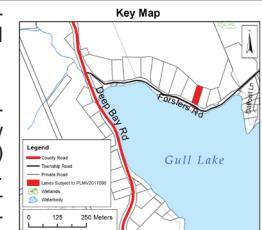
TAKE NOTICE THAT the Committee of Adjustment of the Township of Minden Hills will hold a Public Hearing on:

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Monday, December 11, 2017  
9:30 a.m.  
Municipal Council Chambers  
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to consider minor variance applications **PLMV2017090**. The purpose of the Public Hearing will be to consider the proposed Minor Variances to the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law pursuant to Section 45 of the Planning Act. The minor variance applications being considered are listed below:

**PLMV2017090** - Part of Lot 19, Concession 11, Geographic Township of Lutterworth; municipally known as 1104 Forsters Road; and located on Gull Lake (see Key Map).



**Purpose and Effect of the Application:** The applicant wishes to replace the recently demolished dwelling and attached deck with a new larger dwelling. The previous dwelling measured 69.4m<sup>2</sup> (747sq.ft.) and 6.5m. (21'4") in height and is proposed to be 108.9m<sup>2</sup> (1,172sq.ft) measuring 7.5m (24'7") in height. Recently Minor Variance application PLMV2017043 was approved allowing the proposed development to take place at a setback of 12.2m. (40') from the High Water Mark, the applicant now seeks the same relief but to allow for the development to take place at a distance of 7.9m. (26') from the lake.

**HAVE YOUR SAY:** Input on the above noted applications is welcome and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the public meeting or by making a written submission to the Township. If you do not attend the public meeting, it may proceed in your absence and, except as otherwise provided in The Planning Act, you will not be entitled to any further notice in the proceedings.

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**MORE INFORMATION:** Additional information regarding these applications will be available for public inspection until noon on the day of the hearing at the Township of Minden Hills Building and Planning Department during normal office hours, and online at [www.mindenhills.ca](http://www.mindenhills.ca).

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Dated this 30th day of November, 2017.

Ian Clendening, MPI.  
Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment  
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# Chamber creating workplace development video

by CHAD INGRAM  
Times Staff

The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce has plans for a promotional video to strengthen the county's workforce and is canvassing local municipal councils for support.

Chamber manager Autumn Wilson paid visits to Dysart and Haliburton County councils last week, and is planning to visit the county's other lower-tier municipal councils as well, requesting funding for the project.

"It's no shock that employment is an issue in Haliburton County," Wilson said. "The talent pool is getting smaller, making it difficult for businesses to grow."

Using stats from the Fleming CREW Employment Centre, she said that as of Nov. 10, there were 183 job postings for Haliburton County, and that the actual number of available jobs was probably higher.

"Not a lot is done to attract the population we need for our economic development," Wilson said.

According to 2011 figures from Statistics Canada, there

were 1,570 people in the local workforce aged 15 to 24; 2,425 aged 25 to 44; 6,225 aged 45 to 64; and 4,720 aged 65 and older.

"We really need more people in that 25 to 44 category," Wilson said.

According to information from the Workplace Development Board, by 2021, it's projected there will be more than 450 additional positions in the county by 2021, including cooks, retail managers and salespeople, registered nurses, nurse aides, facilities operators, landscaping and maintenance labourers, social and community service workers, general office support workers and carpenters.

The county also has fewer young people, with the student population at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School shrinking from 612 to 435 between 2009 and 2016.

"Our county needs more families in order to strengthen our workforce," Wilson said.

Wilson said the chamber is also trying to strengthen its partnership with the high school and is looking at the concept of a careers day, where local employers would set up at the school and answer questions about what skills and educational criteria they are looking for, pay ranges, etc.

The concept for the video, which would be produced by Positive Media, is to market the community, through the aspects of employment by showcasing local industries, as well as assets such as schools, hospitals, etc.

The idea is to attract more people to the county to establish small- and medium-sized businesses.

It would include all original footage and feature entrepreneurs and employers talking about why they do business in Haliburton County.

The video would be made available for businesses to use a recruiting tool.

"It [the video link] can be put on a document, it can be put on a website, it can be put in a lot of areas," Wilson said.

The request is for \$2,000 from each of the lower-tier townships and the county, for a total of \$10,000. If the chamber is successful in its funding request from the province's Rural Economic Development (RED) program, it would lower the cost for local governments to \$5,000 collectively.

"To me, it's something that the county should fund," said Dysart et al Mayor Murray Fearrey.

The councils are referring the request to their upcoming budget deliberations.

## Scott's bill would make sex assault training mandatory

by JENN WATT  
Editor

Local MPP Laurie Scott is celebrating after her private member's bill on mandatory sexual assault training for judicial officers made it through second reading at the legislature earlier this month.

Bill 120 would compel currently sitting judges and justices of the peace to complete training, which Scott said "will actually go a long way toward strengthening Ontarians' trust in our judicial system."

High profile cases of judges in Canada making inappropriate remarks while hearing cases involving sexual assault have caused many to call for change and better training.

"With so many recent stories of judges making insensitive comments while presiding over sexual assault cases, there is a clear and urgent need for this training for sitting judges," Scott said in a release.

To become law, the bill must go to committee and then be voted on again in the legislature.

"Survivors of sexual assault are watching closely," Scott said.

Scott, a PC MPP, is the official Opposition's critic for women's issues.

## First flu case reminder to get vaccinated

Public health workers are reminding residents to get their flu shot following the first confirmed case of the flu in the Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit region.

Influenza spreads through coughing and sneezing with symptoms including fever, muscle aches, fatigue, weakness, sore throat and chills.

The flu vaccine is free and available to anyone older than six months from health-care providers. For those older than five, pharmacists can administer the shot.

According to the health unit, for the 2017/2018 year, the following Haliburton County pharmacies have been approved to provide vaccinations:

- Shoppers Drug Mart, Haliburton Village, 705-457-5020
- Loblaw Pharmacy, 5121 County Road 21, Haliburton Village, 705-455-9779
- Haliburton Highland Pharmacy, 211 Highland St., Haliburton Village, 705-457-9669
- Rexall, 224 Highland St., Haliburton Village, 705-457-1112

### Minden

- Minden Pharmasave, 110 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden, 705-286-1220
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## UPCOMING Community Events

### HHSS - Community Support Services Community Christmas Luncheons

Haliburton Christmas Lunch: Minden Christmas Lunch: Thursday Dec. 7, noon - 2 p.m. Where: Minden Legion, RSVP by Nov. 30 - \$19 Wilberforce Christmas Lunch: Friday Dec. 8, noon - 2 p.m. Where: Wilberforce Legion, RSVP by Dec. 1 - \$15 Entertainment and delicious turkey dinner with dessert, tea/coffee

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### 5th Annual Oxtongue Lake Community Christmas Tree Lighting

When: Dec. 1 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. (Snow date - Sunday, Dec. 3)

Where: Oxtongue Lake Community Centre

The event starts with a welcome at 5:30 p.m., tree lighting and carolling will take place at 6 p.m., followed by Warm Up and Social Time at 6:30 p.m. Join in the fun with a special guest tree lighter, carolling, hot chocolate, hot apple cider and snacks. All are welcome!

Contact Marlene Kyle at 705-635-9816 for more information.

### Christmas Luncheon

When: Friday, Dec. 1, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Where: Our Lady of Fatima Church, 7 Bobcaygeon Road, Minden, Bucket draw, bake sale, Santa squares, 50/50 tickets - Admission \$5 (Snow date Dec. 2)

### Santa's Workshop Craft Sale, hosted by the Wilberforce Heritage Guild.

When: Saturday, Dec. 2 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Where: Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce.

Large variety of gift ideas from knitted items, jewellery, art, stained glass, candles, wreaths, gingerbread cookies, fruitcake, crafts and more. Something for everyone. Lunch provided by St. Margaret's Anglican Church. Free tea and coffee all day.

### The Nutcracker

When: Saturday, Dec. 2 (2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.) and Sunday, Dec. 3 (2 p.m.)

Where: Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion, HHSS, Haliburton

Tickets available online starting Nov. 11: [https://www.onstagedirect.com/buy/event\\_info.action?eventId=730](https://www.onstagedirect.com/buy/event_info.action?eventId=730) Ukrainian dancers are back again this year to join Heritage Ballet in their annual Christmas performance.

### Winter Festival and Farmers' Market

When: Saturday, Dec. 2, 12 to 3:30 p.m.

Where: Abbey Gardens, 1012 Garden Gate Drive, Haliburton

Together with the Haliburton County Farmers' Market, we are hosting a winter festival and farmers' market. Local shopping, kids activities, seasonal foods and Christmas trees.

Contact information: For more information, contact Cara Steele, [cara@abbeygardens.ca](mailto:cara@abbeygardens.ca), (705) 754 4769. [www.abbeygardens.ca](http://www.abbeygardens.ca).

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When: Dec. 6, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Where: Carnarvon

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### Light in the Darkness: A "Blue Christmas" Service for those experiencing grief & sorrow.

When: Dec. 3, 2 p.m.

Where: St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Haliburton

This service is open to everyone. It is being prepared by representatives from various Christian denominations. There will be prayer, music, and reflections followed by snacks and refreshments.

### Kinmount, Let it Glow, Christmas Tree Lighting

When: Thursday, Dec. 7, 6:30 p.m.

Where: Kinmount Train Station Carolling, bonfire and treats. Free photo with Santa

# Dorset lights up the season

## DORSET NEWS

Lee Ross

[burgesslt@me.com](mailto:burgesslt@me.com)

Dorset's annual pavilion decorating and tree lighting took place on Sunday, Nov. 26 and the turnout was great. At 4 p.m. volunteers gathered at the pavilion to decorate. New this year are lights on the actual structure that turn on at dusk and automatically turn off after a couple of hours. More than 30 people showed up to help including a doe who stopped by to check it out.

Around 4:30 p.m. everyone wandered over to the fire hall where the tree was to be lit. We don't know ahead of time who the guest tree lighter is, so the few minutes leading up to the lighting of the tree are spent guessing who will do the honours. Once everyone was gathered around the bonfire with hot chocolate in hand, Kerry Lock welcomed everyone and named off the tree lighters from years past. The 2017 tree lighter was Don Shortreed. Pages of song lyrics were handed out and those who were brave enough to stand in the cold sang Christmas carols, lead by a four piece band.

Inside the Rec Centre were arts and crafts for children, a gift table and a tree where Santa would sit and you could tell

him what you want for Christmas. When everyone was warm, a meatloaf dinner was served. Everyone had a great time, despite the cold weather outside, but at least it wasn't raining! Thanks to everyone who helped make it a great night.

The Food and Toy Drive is on Wednesday, Dec. 6, please leave your porch light on so the volunteers know to stop.

Happy birthday to Gina Baum. For birthdays and submissions please send them to [burgesslt@me.com](mailto:burgesslt@me.com).



A four-piece band led the crowd in singing Christmas carols at the tree lighting in Dorset on Nov. 26.



## Bowling Scores

### Fast Lane bowling stats for Monday afternoon, Nov. 20

High Average (cumulative)

Women – Chris Cote – 190

Men – Claude Cote – 207

### This Week's Highs – Women

High Single – Chris Cote – 203

High Triple – Chris Cote – 597

High Single Hcp – Chris Cote – 233

High Triple Hcp – Chris Cote – 687

### This Week's Highs – Men

High Single – Marty Schuster – 244

High Triple – Marty Schuster – 666

High Single Hcp – Marty Schuster – 279

High Triple Hcp – Marty Schuster – 771

### Tuesday Afternoon Bowling Scores Nov. 21

#### Men

High Average Claude Cote 224

High Single Neil Darby 301

High Single H/C Neil Darby 320

High Triple Neil Darby 743

High Triple H/C Neil Darby 800

#### Women

High Average Chris Cote 204

High Single Chris Cote 243

High Single H/C Chris Cote 260

High Triple Chris Cote 605

High Triple H/C Lynda Weir 699

### Fast Lane Bowling Scores for Friday, Nov. 24

#### Ladies

High average Dianne Cullen 175

High single Dianne Cullen 226

High triple Dianne Cullen 557

High single hcp Dianne Cullen 268

High triple hcp Dianne Cullen 683

#### Men

High average Rick West 215

High single Ken Thompson 269

High triple Ken Thompson 670

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**No person shall deposit snow or ice on a roadway without permission in writing to do so from the Ministry or the road authority responsible for maintenance of the road** (Highway Traffic Act, RSO, 1990, c. H.8).

**Please be sure to keep the snow back away from the roadway when clearing your driveway, entrance and mail box.** This is to avoid creating a hazard for the travelling public.

Cooperation in these matters is appreciated to ensure the safety of others and efficient winter maintenance of County and Municipal Roads.

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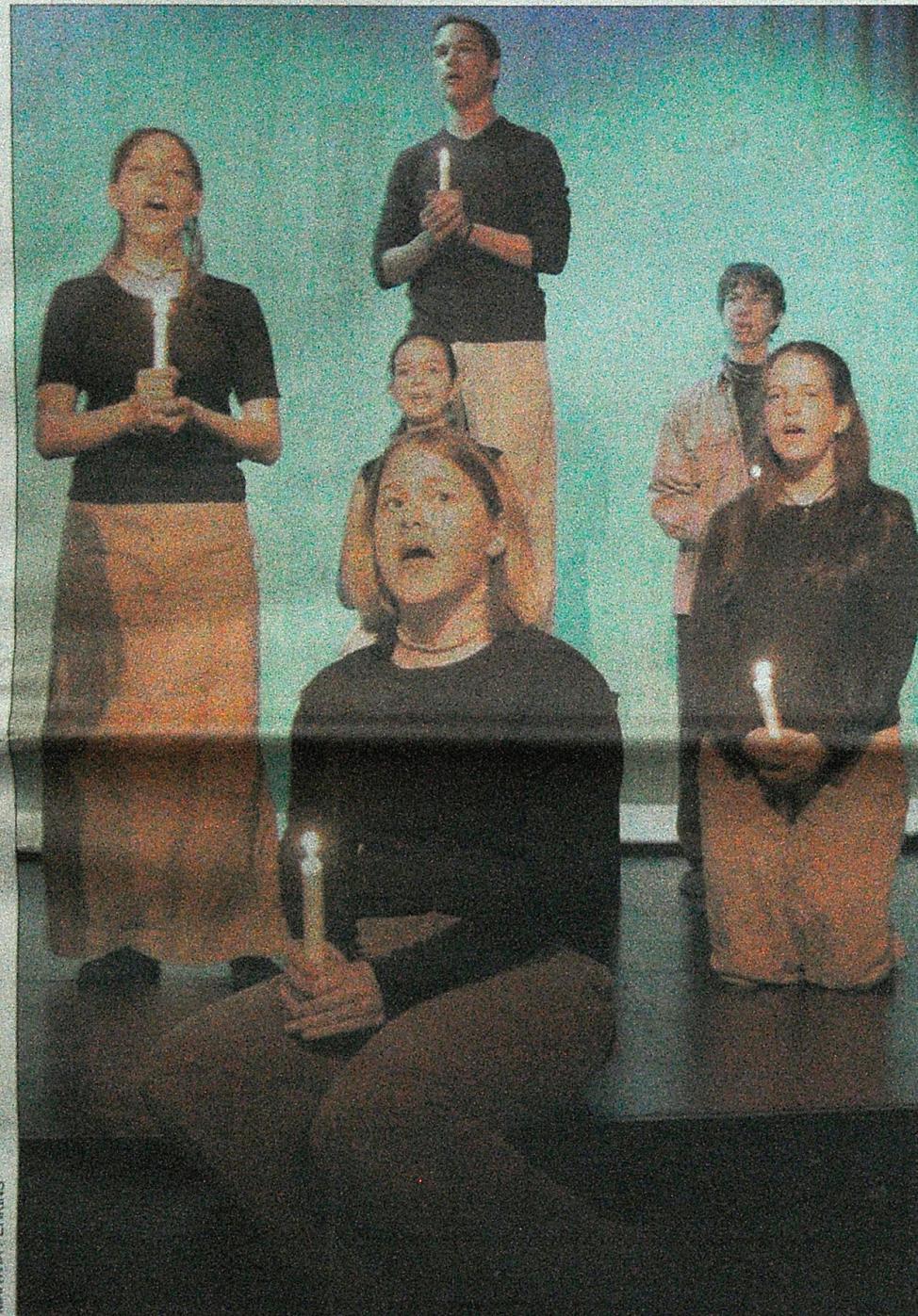
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On Thursday, students in Darrell Dobson's drama class at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School performed a moving Remembrance Day assembly for all students. How do you honour the men and women who made sacrifices in earlier wars while hating war in the wake of September 11? The play tackled all emotions and viewpoints and made students think about all aspects of war and peace.

## Minden Hills takes over fire coverage for the south

by Jerry Grozelle

Minden Hills will be providing its own fire coverage in the southern part of Lutterworth Township that has traditionally been served by the Norland Fire Department. In addition, Minden Hills will provide fire coverage for part of Snowdon Township from Howland Junction to Furnace Falls, which was served by Somerville Township.

Minden Hills is negotiating with Highlands East to provide fire coverage to the part of Snowdon Township from Furnace Falls east. Minden Fire Chief Bill Hogg has been authorized to

negotiate with Highlands East, for the Glamorgan-based fire hall, to provide coverage for the residences and cottages on Bacon Road. If Highlands East is not willing to assume first response coverage of Bacon Road, the Minden Fire Department will have to make other arrangements or provide fire coverage itself. It was noted that Bacon Road is 29 kilometres from the Minden Fire Hall.

The Minden Fire Department has reviewed the agreement with the City of Kawartha Lakes for coverage by the Norland Fire Department. CKL has instituted a

See **Questions** page 4

## Council approves Williams Landing

by Jerry Grozelle

A by-law approving the Williams Landing site plan was passed unanimously by Minden Hills council at a special meeting Thursday evening.

Before passing the by-law, Williams Landing Holdings Inc. officials John Puffer and Joe Giglio answered a few questions regarding the proposed development of 18 time-share cottages on the former Gay Venture property on the south shore of Lake Kashagawigamog.

The Williams Landing officials told council there will be no blasting on site since there is no

bedrock to deal with. No asphalt or paving stones will be used in an effort to retain a natural environment. Shoreline vegetation will be left in a natural state. Larger turn-around areas will be constructed to ensure that emergency vehicles will have access. The buffer zone for tile beds was doubled from the municipality's minimum three metres from the lot line to six metres.

Council signed the by-law approving the site plan, but the municipality's signing officers won't actually endorse the site plan until the OMB appeal launched by Howard Lee has been settled.

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### Donald Frederick Blakey

(Retired Salesman with Schnieder's and Life Member of the Masonic Lodge)  
 Passed away peacefully at the Haliburton Hospital on Saturday, November 25, 2017, at the age of 82.

Beloved husband of the late Elaine (2004). Loving father of David (Tammie), Shane (deceased 2014), Warna (Craig Mintz), grandpa of Joshua, Leila (Phil), Jade, Shannon, Samantha, Shawn, Cody (Sydney), Candise and great grandfather of Nolan, Denver, Lucas. Dear brother of Beverly Elliott (Roy-deceased).

Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden K0M 2K0 on Friday, December 1, 2017 from 1:00 pm until the time of the Masonic and Memorial Services at 2:00 pm. Reception to follow in the Monk-Cray Family Centre at the funeral home. Cremation has taken place.

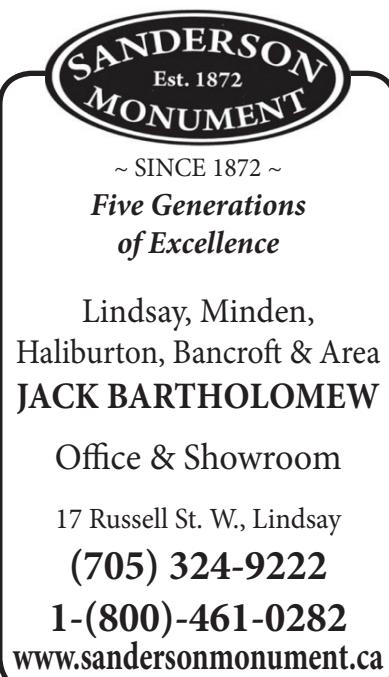
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**Marilyn Watson**  
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Peacefully with her family at her side at Kingston Health Science on Wednesday afternoon, November 22, 2017 in her 74th year. Beloved wife and best friend of Del Watson. Cherished daughter of Harina Lynn and the late Clayton Lynn. Loving mother of Donna and Joanna (Jim Brookes).

Fondly remembered by her grandchildren Crystal, Derrick, Lucas, Rachel, Jennifer, Daphne, David, Liam and by her many great grandchildren. Dear sister of Arlene (Jim Scheffee). Also lovingly remembered by her nephew Greg, her nieces Lianne and Teressa. Marilyn worked for the Bank of Montreal for many years in various positions. She enjoyed cross country skiing, snow shoeing, crafts, knitting and most of all her family.

#### Visitation, Celebration of Life & Reception

Friends are invited to call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Wednesday morning, November 29, 2017 for a Celebration of Life Service at 11 o'clock in the Chapel. Visitation one hour prior. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Ontario or the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family.

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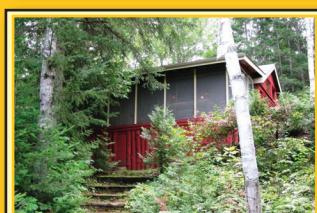
- Prime level lot, western exposure, big lake view
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- Lovely building lot, short boat ride into Halls Lake
- Natural shoreline with picturesque river views!

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- 3 bedroom open concept cottage
- Excellent shoreline on lovely Allen Lake
- Newer dock, nice sized enclosed deck

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- Perfect size year round cottage or home
- 2 bedroom + 2 story bunkie & lots of updates
- 100' of sandy beach & dock across the road

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- Point lot, nice beach area w/600 ft fr & 1.47 acres
- Yr-round, 4 bdrms, 2.5 baths, att'd dbl car garage
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